

Docket No. 0010-1108-0 CONT
 IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yoko ASAKURA, et al.
 SERIAL NO: 09/577,005
 FILED: May 25, 2000
 FOR: METHOD OF CONSTRUCTING AMINO ACID PRODUCING BACTERIAL STRAINS, AND METHOD OF
 PREPARING AMINO ACIDS BY FERMENTATION WITH THE CONSTRUCTED AMINO ACID
 PRODUCING BACTERIAL STRAINS



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in the above-identified application.

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 Additional documents filed herewith: Request for Extension of Time - Three Months

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